

ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS (ADR)

What is an ADR?

An ADR is any unexpected, unintended, undesired, or excessive response to a drug that:

1. Requires discontinuing the drug
2. Requires changing the drug therapy
3. Requires modifying the dose (except minor dose adjustments)
4. Necessitates admission to the hospital
5. Prolongs stay in the hospital
6. Necessitates supportive treatment
7. Significantly complicates diagnosis
8. Negatively affects prognosis, or
9. Results in temporary or permanent harm, disability, or death

When should an ADR be reported to the FDA?

Serious adverse events in which "the patient outcome is death, life-threatening (real risk of dying), hospitalization (initial or prolonged), disability (significant, persistent, or permanent), congenital anomaly, or required intervention to prevent permanent impairment or damage."

Who should report an ADR?

Anyone can report an ADR! Providers, health professionals, technicians, or even patients themselves may report an adverse drug reaction.

How do I report an ADR?

[ADR form](#)

You may call the ADR Reporting Line at 3-5521 to report an ADR. You will be asked to leave the patient's name and sponsors SSAN (if you know it), the drug involved, the suspected reaction, and your name for follow-up.

You may also contact a member of the pharmacy staff directly with the above information via telephone or email.